First and Second appeals pending in the High Court.

216. *MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of 1st and 2nd appeals pending in the High Court till the end of 1109;

(*b*) the number of such appeals pending for more than 3, 4 and 5 years; and

(*c*) the number, if any, of such appeals pending for more than five years?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*) & (*c*). A †statement giving the information required is laid on the table.

Royal trees standing on registered holdings.

217. MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Thiruvalla I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Sirkar takes any portion of the value of royal trees standing in the registered holdings of Kalloopara *pakuthi*;

(*b*) the amount of the value of such royal trees cut and removed by the Forest Department for the last 10 years from the Kalloopara *pakuthi*;

(*c*) whether the registry-holders are entitled to any portion of the sale proceeds

(*d*) whether any amount has been paid to such holders; and

(*e*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the negative, the reasons for the non-payment?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Kalloopara *pakuthi* belongs to the Edapally Chief. The timber from teak and blackwood trees cut from this *pakuthi* is worked down to Government depots and sold there. The Edapally Chief claims the *kudivila* due on these timbers and it is paid to him after publishing the usual notice in the Government Gazette inviting counter-claims, if any. Excepting the *kudivila* thus paid, the balance value of timber goes to Government.

(*b*) No separate record is reported to have been maintained of the number of trees cut and removed from the Kalloopara *pakuthi* and the amount realised for the same. It will be a very laborious work to get a statement of the kind prepared with the existing staff for the whole of that *pakuthi* for the period of 10 years asked for.

(*c*) The registry-holders must prove their *kudivila* right by the production of documentary evidence. If their claims are established, they are entitled to get *kudivila* on the logs cut and removed.

(*d*) No. They have not established their *kudivila* right by the production of necessary documentary evidence.

(*e*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*d*).

†*Vide* Appendix II.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

Appendix I.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 215.**

List of works inspected.

Item No.	Date	Name of work	Pakuthi
1	21-8-1109	Mamom river flood banks ...	Sarkara
		Nadayara Padom (North-west of Varkala-Paripalli road) ...	Varkala
2	2-10-1109	Sankanam anicut ...	Sarkara
3	27-10-1109	Manamboor thodu, Shankanam anicut ...	Do.
4	4-1-1110	Kottiyode ela in Attingal, Drainage facilities ...	Attingal
5	30-3-1110	Mamom river bank works ...	Sarkara
6	18-4-1110	Manamboor thodu and Mamom river	Manamboor

Appendix II.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 216.**

Statement showing the number of 1st and 2nd appeals pending in the High Court at the end of 1109 M. E.

	S. A. I Appeal	A. S. II Appeal	Total
(*a*) Number of appeals pending at the end of 1109 ...	1,422	1,822	3,244
(*b*) Number of such appeals pending for more than three years ..	400	375	775
Do. four years ...	239	150	389
Do. five years ...	125	46	171

(c) *Vide* answer to the last portion of (*b*).

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly